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Title: RELATEDNESS OF HUMAN INTERLEUKIN-1 β CONVERTASE
GENE TO A *C. ELEGANS* CELL DEATH GENE, INHIBITORY
PORTIONS OF THESE GENES AND USES THEREFOR

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for replying to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on October 3, 2003 be extended for five months, to and including April 5, 2004, since April 3, 2004 falls on a Saturday.

Enclosed is a check for \$1,005.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a).

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